ABSTRACT

In response to receiving a transmit request REQ1 from a first client apparatus (1), the server (11) transmits a group address INF1 to the first client apparatus (1). The server (11) first transmits the first block X1, which is selected from blocks X1 to X4 that were subdivided from the requested information with the group address, via the network (10). When the server (11) receives a transmit request REQ2 from a second client apparatus (2) after transmitting block X1 to the first client apparatus (1), the server (11) transmits a group address INF2 to the second client apparatus (2). Further, the server (11) transmits the second, third and fourth blocks (X2 to X4) with the group addresses INF1 and INF2 via the network (10). The transmission process is completed after the server (11) has transmitted the first block X1 with the group address INF2 via the network (10).